

Minutes of a Regular Board Meeting held by the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead held in the Town Hall, Riverhead, New York on Tuesday, April 18, 1989 at 7:30 p.m.

**Present:** Joseph F. Janoski, Supervisor  
John Lombardi, Councilman  
Louis Boschetti, Councilman  
Robert Pike, Councilman  
Denise Civiletti, Councilwoman

**Also Present:** Patricia Moore, Town Attorney  
Irene J. Pendzick, Town Clerk

Supervisor Janoski called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited .

Supervisor Janoski, "Reports."

REPORTS

Tax Receiver-Collections as of 4/10/89. Filed

Planning Department-Determination that major subdivision "Deer Run Estates" is an unlisted action; that major subdivision "Somerset Glen" is a Type I action; determination that "Thistle Downs" layout revisions and "Rolling Meadows" layout revisions are unlisted actions. Filed

Supervisor's Office-Copy of Traffic Study for East End Commons. Filed

Open Bid Report-Water Service Materials. (See Water District Minutes) Filed

OPEN BID REPORT - LEACH PACKER - HIGHWAY DEPT. Filed

Bid Date: April 5, 1989  
1 Bid Submitted

#1 NAME: Trux of Suffolk, Inc.

ADDRESS: 1655 Old Country Road, Riverhead

TOTAL BID: \$43,400.00

Supervisor Janoski, "Applications."

APPLICATIONS & PETITIONS

Petition-Extension #34 for the Water District. (See Water District Minutes). Filed

Petition-Riverview Estates for water extension. (See Water District Minutes). Filed

Petition-Riverview Estates for sewer extension. (See Sewer District Minutes). Filed

Parade Permit-Combined Veterans Committee for 5/29/89. Filed

Supervisor Janoski, "Correspondence."

CORRESPONDENCE

Barbara Raynor, 4/10/89-Advising Town Board that substance causing water contamination by Additive Products is 1,1,1 Trichloroethane. Filed

James E. Durso, ESQ. 4/12/89-Expresses opposition to any change of zone for property located at Sound Avenue and Hulse Landing Road, Calverton. Filed

Town of Southampton, 3/29/89-Notice of Public Hearing for a Local Law providing for a Recyclables Transfer Facility and Notice of Adoption of Local Law #7-89 amending Chapter 69 regarding zoning. Filed

John William Conroy, 3/29/89-Letter of resignation from the Assessment Review Board. Filed

Enviro-Qual, Assoc, Inc., 4/4/89-Offering a revised timetable for review of Long Lake's DEIS along with new costs for this project's analysis. Filed

Jamesport Fire Dept., 4/5/89-Requesting permission for use of the Jamesport Community Center from Tuesday, July 18 to Sunday, July 23, 1989 for their Annual Bazaar. Filed

Melody & John Elwood, 4/5/89-Commending Water District personnel for service given during installation of town water to their residence. Filed

Long Island Farm Bureau, 4/11/89-Commending Assessors and their staff for informative meeting held on April 10, 1989 regarding agricultural assessment program. Filed

WBAZ, 4/3/89-Asking for permission to use Town of Riverhead's Ambulance building phone located in Jamesport during March of Dimes Walk-America on April 30, 1989. Filed

Barbara Raynor, 4/6/89-Copy of letter of Additive Products re: meeting date with area residents and the Supervisor to discuss the problems of water contamination, air and noise pollution. Filed

Dept. of Motor Vehicles, 4/6/89-Information regarding their new "Critical Drivers Program" for employees. Filed

S.C. Dept. of Planning, 4/6/89-Advising of Brookhaven's Local Law to revise site plan review and approval code. If no objections received by April 25, they will assume there are none. Filed

Marjorie Lamb, 4/1/89-Advising of free financial planning tax reduction and the catastrophic medicare act seminars by John Hancock Financial Services. Filed.

H2M, 4/4/89-Letter to Island Pride Construction advising them that they are holding up the completion of Plant #7 of the Water District. (See Water District Minutes) Filed

Allan Wicklund, 4/6/89-Submitting document of Environmental Victory '88 regarding Long Lake. Filed

Joseph Janoski, 4/11/89-Advising that DEIS for the Town of Brookhaven Solid Waste Management Plan is available for review in his office. Filed

Allen Smith, 4/11/89-Offering revised resolution for the approval of the special permit of William Hubbard. Filed

Alice Martin, 4/9/89-Advising that 25 students from Spain will be visiting Riverhead in July. Filed

S.C. Dept. of Planning, 4/13/89-Advising that no adverse response received re: Res. #213 (Sec. 108-60); Res. #226, 239, 241, 242 and 243 (Wading River Hamlet Study) and they will take no further action. Filed

Irene Pendzick, "That concludes Correspondence."

Supervisor Janoski, "Let the record show that the hour of 8:04 p.m. has arrived. The Town Clerk will please read the notice of public hearing."

PUBLIC HEARING - 7:45 p.m.

I have affidavits of publishing and posting for a public hearing to be held at Riverhead Town Hall on Tuesday, April 18, 1989 at 7:45 p.m. to hear all interested persons who wish to be heard regarding: Amendment to Chapter 103, Article II of the Town Code re: Recyclables & Hazardous Wastes.

Councilwoman Civiletti, "Ok. What we have here is an amendment to Section 103-13 creating a new Section 103-13.1 which (to make a long story short) says that if you are bringing only recyclables to the landfill for deposit not in the landfill but in a special container placed at the landfill, and those include; newspapers, cardboard and corrugated paper, plastics, tin and aluminum cans and items, and soon glass. Soon we will have a container there for glass. Then you don't pay the landfill fee for those items. You can go in there free of charge and put them in the containers which the town has placed there free of charge. And the same will hold true for household hazardous wastes that will be deposited in the so called new STOP facility which stands for stop throwing out pollutants. So when you have empty or partially full paint cans, containers for cleaning solvents, batteries, household hazardous wastes that should not be land-filled because they are dangerous to landfill, we're going to have a facility at the landfill, a storage facility where you can bring those on Saturday and some other days of the week. Although that won't be open seven days a week. And you can bring these things there without having to pay or present a coupon to the gate attendant. If you are someone who gets your vehicle weighed and pay by the ton, as long as you have these items segregated out from the rest of the garbage, you don't have to have those items weighed. So the idea of this is to provide some positive re-enforcement and a financial incentive to separate out recyclables and hazardous household wastes and bring them separately for separate deposit at the landfill site rather than to landfill them. That's what this is about."

Dick Carey, Riverhead, "When will that be effective?"

Councilwoman Civiletti, "This will be effective upon adoption. But as of right now, we have containers there for newspapers, cardboard, plastics, tin and metal cans. In about a month we will have that household hazardous waste facility at the landfill. And very shortly, probably before a month, we'll have a container there for glass."

Councilman Lombardi, "People have been bringing stuff down there Dick and they haven't been charged. If they're going to bring in papers and cardboard, they don't have to be charged. But if they bring in garbage, they will be charged."

Supervisor Janoski, "I hate to interrupt this conversation, but this is a public hearing. Dick, if you would like to address the Board, I would invite you up to the microphone because we do have to have a nice record of this interchange. Did you have anything else? So let the record show that Dick Carey asked a question as to when it would become effective so that we can have that as part of the record. I see that you're very anxious Jesse. Come right up."

Jesse Goodale, Riverhead Litter Control, "This is only going to take a minute. You're talking about newspapers going to

the landfill. Newspapers going to the landfill, I hope you put in there that they have to be bound. Because if you're not, Osborn Avenue is terrible with newspapers flying and also Middle Road going to the landfill. So put that in there that they have to be bound."

Councilwoman Civiletti, "I believe it's in there to be bound or in a paper bag."

Supervisor Janoski, "It's in there. It's almost like that commercial for spaghetti sauce. It's in there. Dick Carey."

Dick Carey, Riverhead, "My question is just what Jesse brought up, newspapers bound which I do with my newspapers and the collection man picks them up. Is he obligated to put them in to that area or does he just dump them out in the dumping area."

Councilwoman Civiletti, "Right now he's not obligated to put them in the dumpster. But what we're doing is providing an incentive to the carters as well and we've spoken to them about this. If he keeps the newspapers separate from the garbage in his truck, the newspapers aren't going to be weighed with the garbage in his truck. So he's got every incentive to keep them separate and exclude them from weighing in. And the carters have assured us that they can very quickly and easily accomplish this."

Dick Carey, "They can put some racks on the side of their trucks to put the newspapers on. So if we do bundle our newspapers when they pick up our garbage, we assume that it will not go into the regular dump."

Councilwoman Civiletti, "Yes. Unless they want to pay tonnage on something they don't have to."

Dick Carey, "I hope they wouldn't."

Supervisor Janoski, "But ultimately Dick, because of the state law solid waste management act of last year, 1988, recycling will be the law. So there won't be any choice as to the depositing of those recyclable materials into the landfill. They will have to be separated."

Dick Carey, "For garbage collectors as well as everybody else."

Supervisor Janoski, "That will ultimately be what happens."

Dick Carey, "Thank you."

Supervisor Janoski, "Henry."

Henry Pfeiffer, Wading River, "I think this is a step in the right direction. It will do great things for our landfill."

I have a question which is somewhat tangential to this. It seems that according to my understanding that this landfill operation will be shortly closed by a state directive. Are we making any plans as to what we're going to do with that landfill? Are we going to make a park out of it or playground or what?"

Supervisor Janoski, "That's an interesting question."

Henry Pfeiffer, "What are we going to do with it? Just keep it there as a monument for landfill operations forever?"

Councilwoman Civiletti, "There are in fact state regulations that require you to do certain things with regard to the landfill that you no longer use it. It is going to have to be capped and closed according to state regulations. What you do with the site after that would be up to us. If the Town Clerk wants to put a town golf course there. It may be that the way it will work out that that will be a logical site for a transfer station. That remains to be seen."

Councilman Pike, "Henry, I just wanted point out that there is one thing that we probably shouldn't do. There have been a number of experiments with what to do with a closed landfill. And the City of Mountainview, California decided to close theirs by building what's called a performance shed on top of it which is a large performing arts facility sort of like Saratoga. They found for the first three years it was opened, that because of methane gas collection seeping up through the ground, that any time somebody put a cigarette near the ground, that the ground would catch fire and go zipping across. They couldn't use it for several years until all that dissipated. So I wouldn't recommend that."

Supervisor Janoski, "Anyone else wish to address the Board on the matter of this amendment to Chapter 103? That being the case and without objection, I declare the hearing to be closed. Let the record show that the hour of 8:12 p.m. has arrived. The Town Clerk will please read the notice of public hearing."

**7:45 PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED AT 8:12**

**PUBLIC HEARING - 7:55 p.m.**

I have affidavits of publishing and posting for a public hearing to be held at Riverhead Town Hall on Tuesday, April 18, 1989 at 7:55 p.m. to hear all interested persons who wish to be heard regarding: **A Local Law Prohibiting Littering.**

Supervisor Janoski, "Thank you. Jesse, why isn't your hand... I thought you'd be first on this one. Is there anyone wishing to address the Board on the matter of the enactment of the litter law? It's up to you Jesse. Ok. No one wishes to speak?"

Harry Smith, Elton Street, "My wife and I, we clean the litter on Elton Street from Roanoke to East Main Street and there seems to be three trouble areas. One; right by St. John's entrance into the cemetery and two areas just to the east of Howell Avenue. It seems to be where cars can pull off and park and throw litter. You can put a sign there. I don't care if you put \$10 or \$1,000 as a fine. If you don't catch the people, what good is it? And if they're parked there and a policeman goes by, naturally they're not going to throw nothing out if they see him coming. So I would suggest that it would be a good idea to put a sign there; no parking or standing in these certain areas. And then if a policeman goes by and sees the cars parked there, at least he's got something to go on. But otherwise, if he sees a car parked there, he can't say they threw this away because he didn't seem him do it. And I think that would be a good point to take into consideration. And it's kind of discouraging week after week that the same thing happens in the same area you pick up litter. And there's another place, the signs are not in the right place. There's a couple of homes down through there and on the weekend they have a party, the same thing. Every Monday morning it's terrible and I think signs should be put along in that area. And then I understand that next year the landfill is going to be closed and it's going to be worse and worse because now they're throwing litter. A little brook runs across Elton Street and they're throwing it in there because every week my wife and I go by. You can see the litter throw over into the gorge. And after next year when they close it, it's going to be worse and worse. So that's all I have to say."

Supervisor Janoski, "Thank you. Dick."

Dick Carey, Riverhead, "I live on Middle Road which is known as the road to the dump. Every weekend we get the dumps all on Middle Road. I wasn't responsible under Jesse's program to handle Roanoke to Horton and that's a very difficult area. You get bags after bags after bags of trash up there particularly on weekends. I've seen all kinds of vehicles go by with no covers. I've never saw a policeman up there trying to stop anybody. And you know, we pass a lot of ordinances and if we're not going to enforce them, we might just as well give up wasting our time passing the ordinances. I think that it's a weekend deal. Everybody knows that people go to the dump on weekends and if the vehicle is not covered, I understand they are in violation and why don't we have a policeman up there to give them a ticket?"

Councilman Lombardi, "Dick, the police have been up there and given out tickets in the last few weeks. I have to say that."

Dick Carey, "John, you might say it but I live on Middle Road and I haven't seen one of them up there."

Councilman Lombardi, "Well, they're up at the dumps and the landfill."

Dick Carey, "Well that's a h--- of a place to be. Why don't they get on the road and do it where they're dumping the trash?"

Councilman Lombardi, "Well, I can't tell you that. What I'm saying to you is that they are at the landfill and they have been giving out some summonses."

Dick Carey, "Well, I'm glad to see them doing something."

Councilman Lombardi, "Well, I have to agree with that."

Dick Carey, "Now, Jesse transferred me to the eastern side of Roanoke Avenue and I looked down there today and somebody dumped about three big bundles of newspapers all over the place. I'm going to be two hours tomorrow picking those up. So I want you to realize it's a very difficult job."

Supervisor Janoski, "Today's newspaper?"

Dick Carey, "I didn't stop to see what the date on it was."

Supervisor Janoski, "What I mean, was it from a newspaper delivery truck or...?"

Dick Carey, "I'll let you know later. I didn't go down today. I was a little tired to go start on that job. So I'm all for the ordinance. I think we should put it in but let's put the enforcement behind it and make it work."

Supervisor Janoski, "Dick Benedict."

Dick Benedict, Fanning Boulevard, "I think John is familiar with one of the litter problems that I was talking about. It looks like Dick Carey just inherited that end of Middle Road which I feel sorry for him because I talked to Johnny Mickaliger out there about 6 o'clock in the morning and freezing. He said he's giving up because he can't keep up with it. But when you see people littering, actually littering, what do you do? Who do you tell? I've stopped at least three different policemen. I've told them what time the truck goes by. It's a truck that's apparently hauling with Riverhead's blessings to the town dump. It's not covered. It went on all winter. Now last Monday is the first time I've seen a different truck running that route and this man has been littering twice a week every week all winter long. I've made calls to the Town Board. I went to the ordinance inspector. I got the guy's license plate. I see him. What the h--- do you do after that? You watch him litter Middle Road. I asked them to go to the dump. I'm one of the guys who asked them to station a policeman up there and catch them when they come in and don't tell them when you're going to be there



and get a few of them. Maybe next time they would stop. But these people are actually (I believe) Riverhead Sanitation. And then I followed a Mattituck truck the other morning going to work by what used to be Zambors up there. His packer was closed up but behind the packer was a lot of garbage flying out the back. So what violation, who do you report them to? His packer was actually partially closed but the garbage was still flying out."

Supervisor Janoski, "I would think Dick, the possibility might exist of you filing a complaint."

Dick Benedict, "With whom?"

Supervisor Janoski, "With the Police Department. But you would then have to become involved and the police officers would have to actually witness this so that..."

Dick Benedict, "I gave him the times he crosses Northville, what time he crosses Roanoke. But besides that, for years I've been to Town Board meetings. I've seen signs changed in every plaza in Riverhead from no parking to no standing so the police would have some teeth in their ordinance. There isn't one time I've gone into any plaza in the last years and there aren't cars parked in the tow away zones, the fire zones and the no standing zones. We took down the good signs and put up signs that said no standing. We don't enforce any of those. I talked to a policeman. He said we intimidate them when we drive by. That's baloney. You don't intimidate anybody. You've got to fine them. You don't intimidate them. Thank you."

Supervisor Janoski, "It's rather a broad statement to say that no summonses are given out."

Steve Haizlip, Calverton, "I'm glad to see that we're going to try to get some sort of litter control because as Mr. Carey and Dick have said, garbage is flying off the trucks. Only this Sunday I picked up bags of leaves that fell on Edwards Avenue and just took them on to the dump. Now if we can get control and keep all these papers from flying around like you said they were going to be tied up, at present, the landfill and the whole entire fenced compound, is all littered with papers but we can't expect them to be cleaned up. Because if the papers remain free and the wind is going to come get them out of the dump, they're just going to fly all over. But once we get a control on it, then if the town is going to employ some students or some kids, that is one project I think maybe they could tackle and try to help clean that area up. Thank you."

Supervisor Janoski, "Henry."

Henry Pfieffer, Wading River, "I live on Northside Road in Wading River. On my property I have about two dozen trees that litter every Fall. To compound that, I have neighbors who take these leaves, not only my leaves but their own leaves, gather

them, rake them up and (by one means or another) convey them over to my property. And I think that perhaps through the entire town, you'll find similar things. Are we considering leaves being deposited elsewhere than where they fall as litter? Would they come under this particular thing?"

Supervisor Janoski, "There is specific ordinances that deal with that. As a matter of fact, I remember one very celebrated case that took place in the town a few years ago. It is already addressed under the codes."

Henry Pfeiffer, "Ok. Then in addition to this, yesterday I found two bags of leaves on my property. I moved them to where the trashman or sanitation man normally picks up my garbage and so forth. After he had picked up the contents of the garbage cans, the two bags of leaves remained there. Is there some reason, maybe Mr. Lombardi can answer this, why the sanitation man do not pick up bags of leaves?"

Councilman Lombardi, "I guess since the price went up, they're not picking up leaves any more. The Highway Department has been picking up the leaves. The sanitation people, I would say you would be that since we raised from \$2.50 to \$20.00 and the town, they have to charge for that weight. So I guess that's why they're not picking that up. It's not their garbage. I would have to look at it that way. If I was in the business still, I'd have to say to you that I would not pick up the leaves because the leaves do compact the truck. And I always use to pick up leaves and I use to pick up 20 or 30 bags from some houses. Maybe 10 bags from some houses. And at that time we weren't being charged. But I think today, you'll fill up the truck quite fast. So I think that's why they're not picking it up. I guess they're leaving it for the Highway Department."

Henry Pfeiffer, "They pick it up twice a year."

Councilman Lombardi, "No. The Highway Department does go around and pick up leaves. I see them out on the road every day in different areas. So I don't know what to tell you. They didn't pick up yours then give them a call and find out why they're not picking up yours."

Henry Pfeiffer, "I figured I'd just tear the bags open and let the wind take care of it. Thank you."

Supervisor Janoski, "I saw someone's hand there way in the back before."

Clara Williams, "Good afternoon. I just want to say that I'm glad about the law about picking up the litter. But I just want to say to Mr. Jesse Goodale because he's always on my case about Segal. But down on the corner, there's a lot of briars down there and you can't get those.... When people come and throw paper or trucks come through going to the landfill, the stuff

flies off and flies over there in all those bushes and briars in there and they are very prickly and I got my legs all scratched up. And I want to know; is there anything you can do about these briars and get them done or something that can be done in order to clean. But if we can get the law so that people will stop, will put a lid on their leaves, their bushes... You know, put a cover on their trucks or stop people from (I know that's a hard job to say) littering so much. They just throw papers out the window and all this kind of stuff."

Supervisor Janoski, "Yes. Thank you. Is there anyone else present?"

Jesse Goodale, "For your information, for the audience's information, we have 125 people with designated areas and I'll give you the list of 125 and we need 200. It would seem that 125 could do the job but we don't expect everybody to be out working four or five hours a day doing this type of thing. So what I would say to this audience and to this body, I need more help. And if you'll give me names, all I need is a name and a telephone number and I'll take care of the rest and see that they get their shirt and they get their bumper stickers and they get their pale. But what she said about the side of the road, you can't go on private property but you can go at least six or eight foot off the road and put your mowers in there. It would help. She's right. I've got scratches from what she's talking about right now. You reach in for a piece of litter and you're going to get scratched. So I think the ordinance is fair and let's pass it the way it is. I'm not happy about the dumpster thing but I'm not worrying about it too much."

Councilman Pike, "I was going to ask you about that because you stopped me last week and you had a specific complaint with the dumpster enclosure."

Jesse Goodale, "I understand from Monique that it's not as bad as it's written in here because it says five foot high and it has to have gates on it and I've seen the gates on the ones that are around town now. They're not on. They're off because the people picking up, they open up the gates, they try to run over them so they don't have to open them up again and it doesn't work out. I'm not interested in the dumpsters. But if there's anybody interested in the dumpster part of this ordinance, they should speak now or forever after hold their peace."

Councilwoman Civiletti, "Do you have your designated areas on that list?"

Jesse Goodale, "Not on this but I have designated areas right in my hand here. If you want a copy, I'll see that you get it. There are their names, telephone numbers and designated areas and that's why she says it. I go down her street and if it's not clean, I call here. I say Clara, what happened? You go on vacation?"

Councilman Pike, "On the question of enforcement, one of the things that we have done successfully in the past when we would get a complaint for example; somebody concerned about things going on at Railroad Avenue or atv's on the beach, is to ask the police to step up enforcement procedures. We all get the daily sheet that goes out for all of the shifts. So we see on a daily basis when they're emphasizing any particular geographic area for ticketing people with litter. So we know that every shift in certain periods, have been asked to pick up enforcement there. Sometimes even that's not enough and I don't think it's fair because we've got them volunteering to do so much. I mean, think about this. This is probably the only town around with a volunteer fire department, a volunteer ambulance corps and an enormously successful litter control group. That saves us as a municipality, an enormous amount of money that we would otherwise be paying to do ourselves and to do our enforcement bit. It seems to me that when we get a specific complaint with the kind of evidence that Mr. Benedict was presenting, that we should make sure that it's followed up. And I would suggest that we sit down with the Chief and point that out to him if it's happening and we don't all collectively know about it, we would be advised. And if it isn't happening, I don't see any reason why it shouldn't. Generally, I would suggest that we sit down with the Chief. The thing you'll always get from the Chief is look; I've got enough problems dealing with crack and drug violations and all of that but still, so much of this burden is being taken by private initiative that from time to time, it seems that you could dedicate some resources to it. So that's my suggestion."

Supervisor Janoski, "Is there anyone else wishing to address the Board on the question of the litter ordinance? That being the case and without objection, I declare the hearing to be closed. Let the record show that the hour of 8:31 p.m. has arrived. The Town Clerk will please read the notice of public hearing."

7:55 PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED AT 8:31

PUBLIC HEARING - 8:05 p.m.

I have affidavits of publishing and posting for a public hearing to be held at Riverhead Town Hall on Tuesday, April 18, 1989 at 8:05 p.m. to hear all interested persons who wish to be heard regarding: Amendment to Section 101-10.2/Parking, Stopping, Standing Prohibited - Lewis Street.

Patricia Moore, T.A., "Very quickly, this is at the request of the Gables Civic Association. They asked that the area along their park be restricted from parking, standing or stopping and we've addressed that by this ordinance."

Supervisor Janoski, "Ok. Yes."

Reginald Cain, Millbrook Gables, "The reason we're asking for these signs is because we have a hellified drug problem down there and it's not even summer time yet and the residents can not get to their designated streets. We want the signs posted at the west, east and the middle of the park area so we can stop all the loitering of the people who do not live down in the area."

Supervisor Janoski, "Are you an officer in the Civic Association?"

Reginald Cain, "I'm the Chairman of the Block Association."

Supervisor Janoski, "So you would say that the association supports the enactment of this ordinance?"

Reginald Cain, "Oh yes they do."

Supervisor Janoski, "Ok. Thank you. Is there anyone else wishing to address the Board on the matter? Henry."

Henry Lamb, Riverhead, "Mr. Supervisor, councilpersons. I am the consultant to the Board of Directors for the Millbrook Gables Civic Association. They asked for this to be passed. As you know, there is a serious problem in the area. The traffic is quite unbearable. Residents are complaining they can't get home and so forth. The one thing that we are really concerned about once this is passed is the enforcement. We ask that the Police Department do seriously enforce this. Thank you very much."

Supervisor Janoski, "Thank you Henry. Is there any other comment on this proposed parking ordinance? That being the case and without objection, I declare the hearing to be closed. Let the record show that the hour of 8:35 p.m. has arrived. The Town Clerk will please read the notice of public hearing."

**8:05 PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED AT 8:35**

**PUBLIC HEARING - 8:15 p.m.**

I have affidavits of publishing and posting for a public hearing to be held at Riverhead Town Hall on Tuesday, April 18, 1989 at 8:05 p.m. to hear all interested persons who wish to be heard regarding: Increase and Improvement to Riverhead/Southampton Scavenger Waste District and the Sewer District to the existing Chlorine Contact Tank.

(See Sewer District and Scavenger Waste District Minutes).

**8:15 PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED AT 8:36**

Councilman Pike, "John, if you were planning on leaving, could you stick around for a little while? Thanks."

Supervisor Janoski, "I will now open the meeting to public comment on any subject, something that's on the agenda. We've got Steve and then Henry. Steve."

Steve Haizlip, Calverton, "I don't know if this thing is on or not. I didn't think it was on when Henry was talking. Mr. Janoski, I would like to address the Highway Committee please. In the Harrow's parking lot where the Dunkin Donuts area is out in the front of it, there is no visible markings of where you park. They are all gone completely in there and it's very essential that they get marked where they belong. The stalls so people know and don't narrow down the right-of-way where the other cars are parked. However, I do notice that the fire zones and the handicap areas, they are marked beautiful, clear. So that you'll know better to go in there. Then the next thing I would like to speak of in that lot; over in front of the auto store something has got to get done about that sump in there and it's breaking up and I guess there's a drain in there apparently lowered over the years and it's getting lower. Now, I don't know if this is in the town's realm of responsibility or is it the Harrow's complex company incorporated? But regardless, public traffic goes in and out of there and the police goes in and out of there. They've got the right to go in there and ticket and so forth. So then I think they may have the right to notify or get a hold of somebody about that condition. It is getting bad. It is going down. They have to build it up and put another cover or another grate, they've got to do it. That's about what it boils down to. It's for the safety of the people. We are now in receipt for the Town Engineer are we? We're still not in receipt of a Town Engineer?"

Supervisor Janoski, "No we're not."

Steve Haizlip, "Ok. Then I can't bring that subject up."

Supervisor Janoski, "Well, I'd be very interested in hearing what you think about that subject."

Steve Haizlip, "Ok. Is our Highway Superintendent available tonight maybe?"

Supervisor Janoski, "No."

Steve Haizlip, "Then I'll go over to the highway committee group now. On Edwards Avenue just down the hill from Mr. Edward's old place and before you hit that trailer, there's a huge block of macadam coming up. I think it's probably about two inches and it's flying out of there all the time. But my main concern is, I want to see if we can get this highway engineer or civil engineer when he's available trying to do something maybe

by getting a little better water flow or drainage when it heavy rains up there. Now, the last thing I want to cover. I think it was about March 17th when Mr. Felix Mackie spoke about the school budget taxes and so forth going up and what have you about the roof not having approval to be replaced and so forth. I said that night that I'd follow it up and you know I followed it up. And by talking to the District Superintendent on the phone, this \$81,000 and \$91,000 that he spoke of for these principals and district principals, my information is that they're almost there. Thank you."

Henry Lamb, Riverhead, "I'm speaking for the Millbrook Gables Civic Association again. I didn't want to get you from the point we were talking before when we were talking about no parking and we're residents of the area. Not Lewis Street but Doris Avenue, Wilson and the entire community are concerned about the parking in that area also. We asked for no parking on Lewis Street. We feel that we should have some restricted parking on all the streets in the community. We ask that you consider restricting parking for residents only."

Supervisor Janoski, "Yes. We have a meeting coming up and we can discuss that. I saw someone else's hand up. No. Is there anyone who wishes.... Mr. Carey."

Dick Carey, Riverhead, "I have a question to ask you. Along Main Street we have, I think in front somewhere near Sears, in front of the old theatre, somewhere along further down and again in front where Roanoke comes in, two strips of white paint separated by about four feet. And I assume those are designated crosswalks. Am I correct to assume that when a person is within that crosswalk, the traffic is supposed to stop? Well brother, don't try to do it because you're going to get killed. I never saw such a ridiculous situation in my life. I like to shop downtown. And when I have to do across that street, I can get across fairly well. But when I see a woman come along with a small child and have to get out of the way because that traffic doesn't stop and we might have policemen down there standing around. We have one on patrol, I believe, certainly during the summer. They pay no attention to the traffic at all. I'm not sure we have traffic signs up to reduce the speed through that area. Do we?"

Supervisor Janoski, "It's a state highway. They regulate the speed."

Dick Carey, "Is there a sign up?"

Supervisor Janoski, "I can't think of a speed sign on Main Street."

Dick Carey, "30 miles an hour? Well, they're going faster than that through there. I assume it's our responsibility to enforce the law about the crosswalks. I would suggest that you

discuss the matter with the Chief of Police and see that something is done about it. Thank you."

Supervisor Janoski, "Yes sir."

Reginald Kane, Millbrook Gables, "Are you going to put additional police on for the summer for our neighborhood because it's getting bad down there now? And if we don't have no police down there, somebody is going to wind up getting killed down there. It's really going to get bad down there this summer. It's bad now."

Supervisor Janoski, "By additional police, I believe you mean the summer..."

Reginald Cain, "We had an incident that was supposed to take place down there and it was stopped. I guess because they had to put extra police officers on overtime. But now it's starting to get warm now and today you had to go all the way around the block if you were driving, to get in on Wilson or Philips Street from Lewis."

Supervisor Janoski, "Chief, did you want to...?"

Chief Grattan, "I'm aware of Mr. Cain's problem but I really don't think this is the forum for me to talk about police drug enforcement activities. I would prefer not to."

Supervisor Janoski, "That's fine. Thank you. Basically the question that you're asking is one about extra police protection. Is the town going to hire or put on as you put it, extra police officers? The question is as I understand it, is; are we going to hire summer officers? Is that what what you meant?"

Reginald Cain, "Yes."

Supervisor Janoski, "I don't know how many we have. And I'm sorry Chief. That was my understanding of the question. We only have a few of those summer officers available to us."

Chief Grattan, "We have available for use certified persons as special police officers, I believe, no more than three. One of which has been working on a part-time basis regularly in the downtown area. One of the girls is employed as a full-time meter officer and doesn't have that much time if she's available. They may be the only two that are trained and available at this time. We have no one in the school with the exception of the Bay Constable, taking that training. And I'm not even sure due to the county budget cuts, whether there will be another school provided in the foreseeable future. So I would not rely on part time or temporary police officer help."

Supervisor Janoski, "There was a time to follow up on that that summer police officers were hired as a matter of course."



The state regulations have changed over the years as far as the requirements to become a special officer. It use to be that you had to attend the academy for 250 hours and now it's up to 400 plus hours and we have ceased to get interest in going to the academy to get that job as special officer over the summer time because 400 hours in the academy to get a part-time job in the summer is not very attractive. Gary."

Councilman Pike, "Joe, if I might. We've been working on a lot of aspects for the sewer plant and last summer we asked Gary to work on a conservation program in the Water District which would reduce inflow into the sewer plant. After a number of interesting attempts to get this off the ground, all of those who are in the water district should be receiving a conservation kit that he has a specimen of there and Gary will also be doing some other things in the schools. We asked him to come up here and explain it."

Gary Pendzick, Water District Supt., "These are the kits that are out in the mail right now and the residents of Riverhead and the water district should be receiving them in the mail, I would say, all this week and next. These kits are for free, supplied by the water district. And what they have are various different devices inside of them designed to save water within your homes. Washers for restricting flows in shower heads and faucets. There's a bag inside which if inflated or filled with water and hung inside your toilet, can save several gallons of water per flush. You probably heard that term before if you've listened in about water conservation at all. There are dye tablets which is one of the false starts that we had, (We had a bit of problem with that. I'll tell you a story about that in a second) which is used for testing the integrity of your toilet. Toilets are one of the biggest culprits in water waste because you don't hear it drip. You don't see a puddle. If they run, they run usually 24 hours a day and of course, they run right through the toilet into the cesspool. So they don't indicate to you when they're having a problem. About those dye tablets, we had a peculiar thing happen when we first order them. The pamphlet that comes with it that explains to you about how to conserve water, how to trim and cut your lawn and how to use all the various devices in the kit, told you to refer to the instructions to easily follow the instructions on the tablet bag. And as was pointed out to us very quickly, the instructions were in Spanish. So this was one of the reasons for the delay. In fact, if you'll notice, this particularly kit, to make absolutely sure that it's clear without having to open up thousands of these kits, in red (just to make sure) there are additional instructions in English that have been printed just in case you should get one of those dye tablet kits that is in Spanish. Remember that on the envelope on the bottom proper instructions in English. It's easy to follow provided you can read it. There are other things that we're going to be doing. We're going to start talking and going to our schools and starting out with the lower grades. We're looking into getting coloring books which we will give out again

for free, to our kids to try to teach them the transpiration cycles and just give them an idea of water conservation and the benefits of it both to themselves and their parents. So hopefully they may go home to mom and dad and say maybe you shouldn't just throw the fly in the toilet and just flush it down. Try to dispose of it another way or what not. It's things like that, believe it or not, that add up so much. We go through thousands of residents, thousands of accounts that so many gallons if you multiply by 20 thousand several times of day, you're talking a lot of water. And that's the kind of thing we're trying to become more conscientious about. If anyone has any questions about their individual home or in general, feel free to call me at the office and I'll get back to you and I'll do my best to answer your questions or help you out."

Councilman Pike, "Gary, we made other kits available here in Town Hall for people who had multiple bathrooms."

Gary Pendzick, "Yes. There are kits available in the Tax Receiver's Office, the Clerk's Office and at the receptionist's desk. So for water district residents, if you happen to have more than one bathroom or what not, I would ask that you mention that you're a water district resident and feel free to take one."

Councilwoman Civiletti, "Gary, how easy are these to install? The bag in the toilet tank I think even someone like me could handle."

Gary Pendzick, "Basically, the kits and the washers, all you need is a pair of water pump pliers. I'm not saying that everyone, I won't say that everyone can do it but it has been designed for the average citizen in mind."

Councilwoman Civiletti, "You don't need to be a plumber?"

Gary Pendzick, "No. Basically on a shower head or a faucet screen which people are used to backing off and cleaning once in a while, these washers are designed to slip in there when you screw them back on and you'll have that water saving restrictor in there. The same thing with the shower. The shower heads are a little bit more complicated because you've got that little chrome pipe coming out and there's a fitting that you have to grab on to with the water pumps and back it off and then slip the washer into there. We also have a list of professional made devices, specially made heads by instapure and what not that have been approved nationally for water saving qualities. That if you want to spend a little of your own money but may work better or even give you better performance, you're welcome to call up and ask us."

Councilwoman Civiletti, "So if you've ever changed a washer, you can handle this."

Gary Pendzick, "A washer in a sink would be complicated compared to this."

Supervisor Janoski, "Henry."

Henry Pfeiffer, "I'd like to ask a few questions of Mr. Pendzick. For one, do we have a relatively low quantity of water in our aquifers that serve us? Number two, if this is the case, does this cause a potential or a larger potential for pollution that is running from one area to another as pollution from run-offs of farms etc., pollutions from cesspools and so forth? And finally, does the water district in Riverhead have anything to do with testing wells, testing water supplies throughout Riverhead for sanitation etc.?"

Gary Pendzick, "I think I've got three questions there. One; is our water table dropping off at this time? Two; is the dropping off of this water table pose a threat as to further contamination of our water supply. And three; do we test private wells in Riverhead. One, yes, it's been dry. The water table has been dropping off. Although I don't keep or have records showing that. Geosurvey or the Suffolk County Health Department would be able to give you accurate records throughout Riverhead and Suffolk County as to just how much it dropped off. But from our well data or from well stats, we have seen drops of several feet. Whether or not the water table is as low as it was in the severe drought of 1960, I can not tell you. I don't believe it is. Although it has been dry and it is slowly going down, we are not running out of water persay. We still have lots of water. Especially, fortunately here in Riverhead. But the water table is certainly lower than it was a few years ago. Question number two concerning the possible further contamination because of this drop off. Well, that's hard to say. I don't know if you'll be able to find anyone who is even better qualified than I am, to answer that question. The only way to stop contamination is to get rid of the source. And whether the water table is high or low, if something is going to go into it, it's going to contaminate it. That's all there is to it. It may speed it up. To be honest with you, I really can't say. I could try to find out. That's an interesting question. I'm not sure that I'll be able to find a scientist or an engineer that will be able to answer that question. There are many people in state, health, federal governments trying to draw computer models and I have not heard of any success in it. Although there are a lot of studies going on. Number three about water testing. No we do not test private wells here in Riverhead. We do test the water within the water district. And of course the water district's water constantly, not only at our wells but all points through our distribution system. That includes inside your homes. If you think you have a problem or you're willing to become a test sample site for us, we will sign you up and we will come into your house. And we will take from you kitchen sink, a series of water tests both with our own lab equipment and by using a certified New York State certified lab. And we're always looking for more sample

points. So anyone who would like to have us come in and take a sample in their house sometime, please give us a call down at the office. We'll set up an appointment for our people to come in and take samples and of course we'll give you the results of them afterwards. I can give you the phone number of the Suffolk County Health Department who does do a private well water testing. I don't have it here on me but if you'd like to call me at the office, I can get it for you."

Supervisor Janoski, "Thank you Gary. Is there anyone else present who wishes to address the Board on any matter. Perry. Let's give Perry a shot there Steve."

Perry Conklin, Aqueboque, "I wanted to touch on a couple of subjects. The last couple of weeks ago when I spoke to you about Cases Creek, it was amazing to find out that Riverhead town has a drain in the south end of it as well as the state in the north end. I'd like to ask one question. Is the Town Board planning on voting on the two acre zoning tonight?"

Supervisor Janoski, "No."

Perry Conklin, "You're not going to. Then probably I need to come at another time. Can you give us any kind of a date when you're going to?"

Supervisor Janoski, "We are scheduled to discuss the matter on Monday at our regularly scheduled work session and I would believe that after that discussion, (it is tabled right now as you know) that there might be....."

Perry Conklin, "Is there going to be anymore hearings on this at all? That's it."

Supervisor Janoski, "Well, on this particular in Wading River, I don't anticipate any."

Perry Conklin, "If it goes in Wading River, it will probably go in the rest of the town too. You're not kidding me any. I'd like to just drop a few interesting facts about this thing that you should take into consideration. There is 20,000 acres of land, agricultural land in this town with 4,200 under the preservation program already that's not going to be built on. And for the people who don't realize how big two acres is, if I'm right with my figures, the Town Hall, the Police Department, the parking lots and everything is 3.7 acres. It wouldn't take two houses but it would take a Town Hall and a Police Department and places for all these people to park. Two acres is three of Mercy's football fields. That's a big piece of land. Almost three. It's lacking a little bit. I don't believe that the Town Board, if you put everybody together, owns two acres on their private dwellings. I might be wrong on that. There's a lot of people to speak out on this subject and live on very small parcels that are environmentally controlled and they're still being

built on the same because I've been taking a lot of notice lately since this has been going on. You know, it cost the farmer a lot of money for insurance and taxes and mortgage payments and loans and etc. to keep their land. But yet, people still abuse this land on horses and three wheelers and everything. If they get hurt, they sue that farmer. Since I spoke two weeks ago on everybody buying enough land to have equal share or up to two acres, I've had many people come to me and say, keep your mouth shut pal because we're not going to pay the taxes on two acres and we're not going to take care of two acres of land. They weren't too happy about it. Just like I'm not happy about having two acre zoning. You know, you're asking a lot. You say two acre zoning, then you cut out the wetlands, the slopes and types of soils and etc. The land owners and the farmers can't preserve this by themselves. If you ask the people of this town to give up half of their savings, half their pension plan, you probably wouldn't walk out of here alive. Of the 22,000 people in this town, they're in favor of open land and to keep environmentally controlled land natural and so forth, I haven't heard one person stand up and say yes. I'm in favor of it and I'll help you pay for it. Everybody is in favor of it but nobody's bringing anything positive to help these people out that own the land. You have all the landowners and farmers running scared. They say; let's get out of here while we can. If you try to help these people instead of hurt them, you probably wouldn't have the problems you have now. This is a big decision. Please give it the best consideration. All I'm asking for is a fair shake for myself and the rest of the landowners and farmers of this town. I am deeply opposed to the two acre zoning."

Supervisor Janoski, "Thank you. Steve."

Steve Haizlip, "Again, to the highway committee. I recall that maybe a couple of years ago or so, I complained about the Calverton Deli going west about trying to get pavement and so forth in there for the big tractors and trailers. Well, it was accomplished and it's there and it's very nice. But now I also asked when trucks were coming east and they pull over and go in there to get coffee and sandwiches and so forth, there was very bad holes in that shoulder. I remember complaining then and they were filled and graded over. But now, they're getting bad again. So I'm just coming up and to remind the highway committee that is another task I'd like them to take on. Thank you."

Supervisor Janoski, "Thank you Steve. Is there anyone else wishing to address the Board on any subject? Ok. Do you want to take the break now or do you want to go through some of the resolutions. The Town Board is going to recess and we'll be back to take up the resolutions."

**TOWN BOARD MEETING RECESSED AT 9:03**

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Supervisor Janoski, "We will take up the resolutions."

Resolutions #286-#318 found on pages 439-524 of the 1989  
Resolution Book.

**#291 REJECTS DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT OF NORTHVILLE ENERGY CORP. (LONG LAKE COGENERATION PROJECT).**

Councilman Pike, "We are, by 291, rejecting as insufficient, the Draft Environmental Impact Statement of Long Lake Energy Corporation largely because we know from public records that some of the material representations made in it turned out not to be particularly true. Particularly considering the scale of the operation and the presence of cogeneration agreements with LILCO which were not disclosed in this draft. It is worth some discussion because some people have been pushing for it. I'll take Mr. Boschetti's lead and move #291."

**#301 PLACES JEAN MILOSKI ON ACTIVE STATUS AS SENIOR ACCOUNT CLERK TYPIST.**

Councilman Lombardi, "Now Mr. Janoski, is this a full time position or a part time position?"

Supervisor Janoski, "It is my understanding that she is coming back in a part time position."

Councilman Lombardi, "A part time position. There is no salary here stating which she will be making or anything like that and it does not have the hours that she will be working. Do you feel that 21 hours is the hours that she will be working? Seventeen and a half hours is a part time position. Twenty one hours, I think they consider it a full time position. And I would like to know the salary this person is going to get at 21 hours and it's not on here and this is not the first case. This is the second case that's been brought up and the first one hasn't been brought to this Town Board as of yet. I'd like that brought up to the Town Board too."

Supervisor Janoski, "As to the hourly rate, it would be a computation of the position that she holds or held or still holds, computed to an hourly figure."

Councilman Lombardi, "So we could be looking at maybe \$15 an hour."

Councilwoman Civiletti, "Prorated from around...."

Councilman Lombardi, "Well, I would like to know that."

Councilman Boschetti, "I don't like these resolutions because you get a good person caught up in a policy controversy and that's what is happening here. She is a good employee but I'm going to vote no because I think it's going to set an unfortunate precedent if we take this action at this time."

Councilwoman Civiletti, "I agree that we need a town wide policy for the possibly of flex time, job sharing, part time. I think that along with the computerization of Town Hall will help bring us into the 20th Century. I don't think that we ought to be doing this on a case by case basis. I'm ready willing and I hope able to work on the town wide policy once we get our contract settled. In this case however, I do vote yes."

Councilman Lombardi, "I might as well say something again. I think that we have opened a can of worms. We did this last year and I've been bringing it to the Town Board's attention and I have not got any results from them on another person and this is how this started. The other girl, other woman is working 21 hours. She was making thirty something thousand dollars. Now she's down to about nineteen thousand dollars. We should have a lot of people in this town making that amount of money and working 21 hours. And if we're going to do it for one, then let's do it for everybody else. And I think that we are starting a problem here. And I vote no."

**#302 APPOINTS THADDEUS KRUKOSKI AS 90-DAY TEMPORARY SANITATION SUPERVISOR**

Councilwoman Civiletti, "I just want to point out that this is a good example of recognizing special skills that deserve an hourly rate of compensation above and beyond what we pay part time laborers for example or part time bus drivers in the same vain as the one we just discussed."

Councilman Boschetti, "Before we move on, I just want to put on the record that the two examples are not compatible. Two different animals altogether and I think it's misleading to try to indicate that Teddy Krukoski's position is going to in any way, relate to the one we just voted on regarding Jean Miloski."

Councilwoman Civiletti, "I didn't say it related to it. I said it's the same concept. It's a person working less than 35 hours."

Councilman Boschetti, "It's stretching the concept to a great degree I think."

Councilwoman Civiletti, "Not at all. I disagree completely."

Councilman Boschetti, "Ok. So we honestly disagree but I just wanted that on the record."

**#312 CONDITIONALLY APPROVES SPECIAL PERMIT OF WILLIAM HUBBARD**

Councilwoman Civiletti, "We are making a change on page 15. We are deleting the word "or" in the second paragraph 'e' that begins at the bottom of page 15 and runs to the top of page 16. We're changing the first paragraph 'e' such that the last



sentence that appears there now reads; owners of residential units shall be given rights to the recreational facilities as part of their offering plan. And we're adding new language that says; this condition shall be enforced by an appropriate covenant and restriction attaching to the recreational facilities and prior approval of the Town Board of the offering statements before submission to the Attorney General. With that amendment, I will move resolution 312 which conditionally approves the special permit of William Hubbard."

Councilman Pike, "Most of the folks in the room were here yesterday when I gave my lengthy thoughts on this. I'd just like to emphasize a couple of things. One; we have deferred the final determination on the density of the project to a time further down the road when we can have a full site plan before us. Two; most of the other suggestions I made yesterday are incorporated in this resolution. Three, the one is not. It doesn't even have a second. Basically it is an attempt to create markets for TDR's and projects of this nature. Something I support in principal and would like to see supported in fact in the future. I lack enough support to get that down at this time but will continue to argue the case for that as we go through this application and other similar ones for higher density in the infrastructure downtown area. Basically though, Mr. Hubbard and his folks have made an excellent, an extremely well prepared application that's gotten rid of a lot of problems that might otherwise cleared up before the resolution. We have shepherded this project into the resort business mode that the zoning anticipates. And because of that relatively low impact on the school district that that would provide us in being unable to develop a clearly currently available alternative."

**#318 CREATES CITIZEN TASK FORCE ON SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT.**

Councilwoman Civiletti, "This creates the citizen task force on solid waste management. We've gotten an unbelievable interest from 14 or 15 people to volunteer their time to work on this task force. We had a meeting last Tuesday. We're going to be meeting again next Tuesday here at Town Hall. This creates the task force and appoints all of the people who have volunteered to be on that task force."

Supervisor Janoski, "Alice."

Alice Graff, "That noise bit of the raceway. Did you notice in the paper that someone remarked how they have no objection to the noise and it doesn't bother them. And I have spoken to a number of people, two that come to my mind immediately is Betty Cooper and Joe Lipsky, they also state that the noise is of no problem to them. Thank you."

Supervisor Janoski, "Thank you Alice. It doesn't bother me either. I live in Wading River. Without objection, this meeting is adjourned."

There being no further business on motion or vote, the meeting adjourned at 9:57 p.m.

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Town Clerk